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Examiner: Mr. Jeffrey Robertson

In Re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Applicants : Dieter KERNER et al.

Appln. No. : 10/084,336

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 1, 2003, please amend the above-identified

Application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of  
this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.